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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

 (Currently Amended) Connector fitting (1) for fixing a longitudinal body to an opening, in a wall, wherein the connector fitting (1) comprises;

a chuck (2), which penetrates the opening in a position of use and is provided with slits that extend generally in an axial direction, said chuck comprising a thread located on a section, which is arranged and remains in front of the <u>wall</u> opening, wherein the chuck radially expands outwards in an insertion direction behind the <u>wall</u> opening into a clamping region containing the slits, and can be tightened on an outer side or in front of the opening of the <u>housing wall</u> by the thread; and

a matching tensioning nut (3), such that the clamping region can be directly or indirectly, at least partially, withdrawn into the opening and thus braced against the longitudinal body, wherein the tensioning nut (3) comprises:

an abutment (4a, 4b) acting in the axial direction and the chuck (2) comprises a counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) adjacent to the thread section and the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) exerts pressure on the abutment (4a, 4b) in a released position of the chuck (2); and

a sleeve-like extension (3a) located adjacent the thread section in the axial direction, within which the radially inwardly extending abutment (4a, 4b) is arranged.

2. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein a region of the chuck (2) bearing the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) covers the abutment (4a, 4b) of the tensioning nut (3) in the axial direction on a side facing away from the housing wall.

(Cancelled)

- 4. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim [[3]] 1, wherein the abutment (4a, 4b) is arranged at an end of [[the]] an internal thread of the tensioning nut (3) between the thread region section and the sleeve-like extension (3a).
- 5. (Currently amended) Connector fitting according to Claim [[3]] 1, wherein an axial dimension of the sleeve-like extension (3a) is at least as large as an axial displacement path when the chuck (2) is tightened or larger and that the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) located on the chuck (2) is also arranged for acts as a tightened tensioning screw (2) of tensioning nut (3) arranged within the sleeve-like extension (3a).
- 6. (Previously presented) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein the counter-abutment is arranged on an end of the chuck (2) facing away from a tensioning region and is an annular piece (5b), which is connected to the chuck and which axially covers the abutment (4b) of the tensioning nut (3) in a position of use, said annular piece extending over at least a part of a circumference of the chuck (2) and the abutment (4b).

7. (Previously presented) Connector fitting according to Claim 6, wherein the counter-abutment formed as the annular piece (5b) is connected integrally with the chuck (2) or as a separate part, especially a sealing ring or Oring, inserted into a groove (5d) at an end of the chuck (2).

- 8. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein the counter-abutment on the chuck (2) comprises at least one finger (5a) extending radially over an outer circumference thereof and especially projecting tangentially and that wherein on the abutment (4b) of the tensioning nut (3) covering [[it]] the chuck in the position of use, a projection (4a) is provided extending in the axial direction, said projection contacting the finger (5a) in a circumferential direction for blocking rotational motion.
- (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, for fixing a longitudinal body to an opening, in a wall, wherein the connector fitting (1) comprises;

a chuck (2), which penetrates the opening in a position of use and is provided with slits that extend generally in an axial direction, said chuck comprising a thread located on a section, which is arranged and remains in front of the wall opening, wherein the chuck radially expands outwards in an insertion direction behind the wall opening into a clamping region containing the slits, and can be tightened on an outer side or in front of the opening of the wall by the thread; and

a matching tensioning nut (3), such that the clamping region can be directly or indirectly, at least partially, withdrawn into the opening and thus braced against the longitudinal body, wherein the tensioning nut (3) comprises:

an abutment (4a, 4b) acting in the axial direction and the chuck (2) comprises a counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) adjacent to the thread section and the

counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) exerts pressure on the abutment (4a, 4b) in a released position of the chuck (2)

wherein the counter-abutment <u>is</u> formed as <u>a</u> finger (5a) <u>that</u> is elastic and can be deflected for contact on the abutment projection (4a) elastically up to an inner wall of [[thel] a sleeve-like extension (3a) <u>located adjacent the thread section</u>.

- 10. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 9, wherein the finger (5a) used as the counter-abutment and extending diagonally or tangentially stands-against a relative rotational direction of the outer thread of the chuck (2).
- 11. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein the projection (4a) standing at a distance extends opposite the abutment in the axial direction is arranged [[at]] on an annular end surface having a diameter, which is smaller than a diameter of the circle, at an annular end surface on which an outer free end of the abutment finger (5a) is located.
- 12. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein a contact side of the projection (4a) extends steeply, especially somewhat substantially axially, and a border of the projection (4a) facing away form from the contact side extends diagonally.
- (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, for fixing a longitudinal body to an opening, in a wall, wherein the connector fitting (1) comprises:

a chuck (2), which penetrates the opening in a position of use and is provided with slits that extend generally in an axial direction, said chuck comprising a

thread located on a section, which is arranged and remains in front of the wall opening, wherein the chuck radially expands outwards in an insertion direction behind the wall opening into a clamping region containing the slits, and can be tightened on an outer side or in front of the opening of the wall by the thread; and

a matching tensioning nut (3), such that the clamping region can be directly or indirectly, at least partially, withdrawn into the opening and thus braced against the longitudinal body, wherein the tensioning nut (3) comprises:

an abutment (4a, 4b) acting in the axial direction and the chuck (2) comprises a counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) adjacent to the thread section and the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) exerts pressure on the abutment (4a, 4b) in a released position of the chuck (2), wherein between the chuck (2) and the perforation edge a wall opening edge there is a slotted connecting piece (7), which can be expanded by means of the chuck (2) and which engages behind the perforation opening on an inside with retaining projections (7a), where force can be exerted on an inside of the connecting piece by an outer side of the chuck (2).

- 14. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 13, wherein the connecting piece (7) engaging behind the perferation opening on the inside with retaining projections (7a) is connected to the tensioning nut (3) by screw connection for adapting to various wall thickness values.
- 15. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, wherein an opening of the sleeve-like extension (3a) is partially closed on a side facing away from the housing wall by a seal (8), which comprises an opening for the longitudinal body.

16. (Previously presented) Connector fitting according to Claim 1, for fixing a longitudinal body to an opening, in a wall, wherein the connector fitting (1) comprises:

a chuck (2), which penetrates the opening in a position of use and is provided with slits that extend generally in an axial direction, said chuck comprising a thread located on a section, which is arranged and remains in front of the wall opening, wherein the chuck radially expands outwards in an insertion direction behind the wall opening into a clamping region containing the slits, and can be tightened on an outer side or in front of the opening of the wall by the thread; and

a matching tensioning nut (3), such that the clamping region can be directly or indirectly, at least partially, withdrawn into the opening and thus braced against the longitudinal body, wherein the tensioning nut (3) comprises:

an abutment (4a, 4b) acting in the axial direction and the chuck (2) comprises a counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) adjacent to the thread section and the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) exerts pressure on the abutment (4a, 4b) in a released position of the chuck (2), wherein, the chuck includes clamping fingers and at least one of the clamping fingers (9) of the chuck (2) comprises a pushing element (10) formed on an outer side, said pushing element preventing co-rotation of the chuck (2) with the tensioning nut (3) through intermeshing with slits (11) of a connecting piece (7) when the chuck (2) is tightened.

17. (Currently Amended) Connector fitting (1) for fixing a longitudinal body to an opening, especially to an opening or a perforation in a wall, the connector fitting (1) comprises;

a chuck (2), which penetrates the opening in a position of use and is provided with slits that extend generally in an axial direction, said chuck comprising:

a thread located on a section, which is arranged and remains in front of

the <u>wall</u> opening, wherein the chuck radially expands outwards in an insertion direction behind the <u>wall</u> opening into a clamping region containing the slits, and can be tightened on an outer side or in front of the opening of the housing <u>wall</u> by the thread; and

a matching tensioning nut (3), such that the clamping region can be directly or indirectly, at least partially, withdrawn into the opening and thus braced against the longitudinal body, wherein the tensioning nut (3) comprises:

an abutment (4a, 4b) acting in the axial direction; and

a sleeve-like extension (3a) located adjacent the threads in the axial direction, within which the radially inwardly extending abutment (4a, 4b) is arranged and the chuck (2) comprises a counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) adjacent to the thread section in a region of the chuck (2) covers the abutment (4a, 4b) of the tensioning nut (3) in the axial direction on a side facing away from the housing and the counter-abutment (5a, 5b, 5c, 5d) exerts pressure on the abutment (4a, 4b) in a released position of the chuck (2).